

Sir,

I am very upset that you moving towards this copyright protection technology. I have purchased a HDTV (Hitachi) and a HDTV (Samsung) receiver. If this change is implemented, I will not be able to continue using this equipment to watch over-the-air HDTV. Who is going to reimburse me for my expenses on this equipment? Am I to be punished because I am an early adopter of this technology?

Additionally, there are already laws that deal with copyright protection and fair use. What you are contemplating goes beyond these laws and probably infringes on my rights.

I can only assume that corporations in the US have more rights than citizens, and that the goal of the US Government is to appease corporations instead of protect the rights of citizens. I realise this is a very cynical attitude, but nothing done by the US Congress, or other government institutions recently has provided any evidence to the contrary. I fully expect that you will implement this rule that will restrict my access and cost me additional money. However, I want to let you know that doing so is just more evidence of the level of influence corporations have in our Government. I hope you will reconsider and keep OTA broadcasts freely available to all citizens without requiring us to buy new equipment because you are changing the rules just to appease a company.

Sincerely,  
Dave Hopkins